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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: VEGETO, Elisabetta *et al.*  
APPLICATION No.: 09/465,133  
FILED: December 15, 1999  
FOR: **MUTATED STEROID HORMONE RECEPTORS,  
METHODS FOR THEIR USE AND MOLECULAR  
SWITCH FOR GENE THERAPY**

EXAMINER: Celine X. Qian  
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Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The present communication responds to the Office Action dated June 12, 2002 in the above-identified application. Please amend the application as follows. The attached Appendix presents a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment and a clean set of claims. A separate petition for a three-month extension of time accompanies this amendment.

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